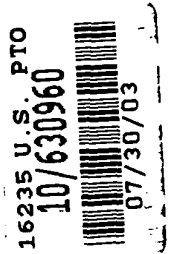




IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No. 71073

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231



Sir:

1. This is a request for filing a:

- (X) Continuation Application Under 37 CFR §1.53(b)  
( ) Continuation-in-part Application Under 37 CFR §1.53(b)  
( ) Divisional Application Under 37 CFR §1.53(b)

of pending prior application no. 09/475,896 filed on December 30, 1999 for LINK AGGREGATION REPEATER PROCESS wherein the inventors are:

Joris Johannes Maria WILS  
Richard BLANCHETTE  
James Scott HISCOCK

Using the enclosed specification of 26 pages and 20 claims.

The entire disclosure of the above mentioned pending prior application, is considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

2. Prior Application Information: Examiner: HO, DUC CHI  
Group/Art Unit: 2665

3. X The filing fee is calculated below:

<u>CLAIMS AS FILED, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT</u>				
	<u>FILED</u>	<u>EXTRA</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>FEE</u>
Total claims	20	0	\$18/\$9	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	0	\$84/\$42	\$0.00

Multiple Dependant Claims NO

Basic Filing Fee: \$ 750.00

Total Filing Fee: \$ 750.00

4. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 13-0410.
5. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby Requested to Charge Deposit Account No. 13-0410 in the amount of \$ 750.00, a duplicate copy of this page is enclosed for billing.
6. ☐ Cancel claims \_\_\_\_\_
7. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
-- This is a of application Serial No. 09/475,896 filed December 30, 1999, and the entire disclosure of this prior application is considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.--
8. ☒ Formal drawings are enclosed.  
[Total Sheets: 2]
9. ☒ The prior application is assigned to 3Com Corporation, as recorded under Reel 010667 and Frame 0853 . A copy of this assignment is enclosed and this assignment carries over to the present application.
10. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages: 3 ]
  - a. ☐ Newly Executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))
11. ☒ Any Convention priority claimed in the parent application is hereby claimed for this application.
12. ☐ A preliminary amendment is attached.
13. ☐ Small Entity status as claimed in the parent application is still proper and hereby claimed for this application.

14. ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- English Translation Document
- Information Disclosure Statement/PTO Form 1449
- Copies of IDS Citations
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
- Certified Copy of Priority Document
- Request for Reconsideration
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

15. ☒ CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS BELOW:

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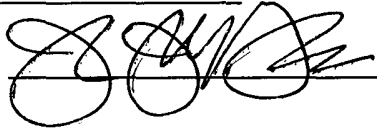
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Attached please find the complete application papers and Large Entity fees in the above-identified application which are being placed in the U.S. Mail today, July 30, 2003, as Express Mail number EV 323 630 688 US.

A copy of the Express Mail receipt is also attached.

Respectfully submitted  
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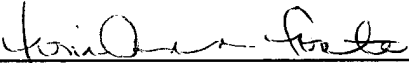
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